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35,000 TEAMSTERS WANT REPRESENTAT



This picture, snapped at a banquet held in connection with the convention last September of the Indiana State Federation of Labor, shows Pat Hess where he has always belonged—in a central position among

Indiana's most prominent labor leaders.

In the group, left to right, (top row) are Stephen Toth, president of the State Drivers' Council, who nominated Mr. Hess for election to second vice-presidency of the State Federation; Carl H. Mullen, president, I. S. F. of L.; John Acker, secretary-treasurer, I. S. F. of L.; M. J. Angel of Teamsters Local 215, Evanwille, and Tom Taylor of Terre Haute, representing the A. F. of L. Bottom row—D. E. Mahoney, head of the big Teamsters Local 369 of Muncie; O. B. Chambers, who directs the Teamsters of Kokomo, Pera, Wabash, etc., as head of Local 759; Mr. Hess, Hugh J. Gormley of the A. F. of L. in Indiana, of Fred Shutts, prominent Lake county labor and Republican leader, who has recently been named on the late Transportation Commission by Governor Ralph F. Gates.

Retroactive Pay Raises For Local 188 Members WAR LABOR BOARD

War Labor Board for members per cent. This will amount to 900 city cartage men in Indianapof Teamsters Local 188 em- about 25 per cent increase for olis, Teamsters Local 135 has sent the case to the Disputes Board of the WIR Trunking Computers in the Control of the WIR Trunking Control of the Control of t of Teamsters Local 188 em-ployed by the Indiana Con-densed Milk Co. and the Gen-Approximately 125 men and Washington, according to Emmett eral Baking Co., giving them women workers in the Indiana J. Williams, Secretary-Treasurer. pay raises, retroactive back to Condensed Milk plant at Sherlast June.

have, started paying off, and view of the fact that most of some of the checks are honeys, them are working 70 hours a One of the bakery cheeks seen week or longer, with overtime by the editor was for around after 40 hours.

the General Bakery Co. was per cent increase in their pay. given to 20 commission drivers in the wholesale division, and is MADDEN SPONSORS considered a very unusual decision for the WLB. Lynville G. Miles, counsel for the union. who worked with President C.

TRUCK OPERATION

Already the two companies creases. This is considerable in expired May 1.

Salaried employes of the The raise assessed against Sheridan Company received ten

EMPLOYMENT BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Con-E. Davis through all the nego- diana is one of the group of Rivers and Harbors of the U. S. Army. tiations, says that the WLB has more than 50 representatives been reluctant to grant com- who have signed their names as

LOCAL 135 SENDS CARTAGE CASE TO

Having failed in several meetings Good news comes from the per cent, originally paid, to ten to reach an agreement in behalf of June 1 to July 1.

Urge Election of Pat Hess as 2nd Vice-President of State Federation of Labor

A certain percentage of the monthly dues paid by members of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs, Warehousemen and Helpers in this state goes by per capita tax on member locals to the Indiana State Federation of Labor.

Yet the Teamsters today have no voice in shaping the policies of the Federation, for the simple reason that the Teamsters have no member on the Federa-

tion's Executive Board.

This is taxation without representation, which was one of the causes of the Revolutionary War. Hoosier Teamsters don't have in mind starting another Revolution. They do, however, believe that a brotherhood of 35,000 members in Indiana, constituting as they do the strongest union in the state, should be represented on the executive board of the State Federation of Labor. Therefore, they are hopeful that the other unions over the state will help them get that representation by voting to elect Alton P. "Pat" Hess Second Vice-President in the coming election.

Voting, by ballots, mailed to Indianapolis, will take place meeting March 16 of the State

That Hess is the unanimous

AFL WOMEN ENDORSE OPA WASHINGTON, D. C.—Endorsing the extension of the Price Control Act, the American Federation The agreement under which the of Women's Auxiliaries of Labor, idan received hourly pay in- city cartage men are still working meeting here, called for a united war by labor against inflation.

beadquarters of the Federa choice of Teamster locals was tion, 701 Peoples Bank Bldg., indicated by delegates to the Drivers' Council, when he was endorsed for nomination by President Stephen Toth.

And of Other Unions

He is the choice of a lot of other unions also, including some of the biggest ones around Fort Wayne, which is Pat Hess's home territory. It is in Fort Wayne-as if you didn't know-that Hess heads Teamster Local 414, which he is from the Fort Wayne distriet that Pat Hess has apstate convention of the Indiana State Federation for 25 years.

Hoosier Teamsters wanted times running. They now want I SIXTEEN FLOOD PROJECTS him elected to the executive mission raises.

In this instance the commission rate was raised from eight

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Park, Flood Control Projects Promise Work for Teamsters organized back in 1932. And it

INDIANAPOLIS.-Two groups of public projects which would give employment to several hundred teamsters in Indiana peared as a delegate to every are being considered here for the immediate postwar period.

The two groups are: (1) Ten new state parks and (2) six-

teen flood protection projects.

The first of these are embraced in a program prepared by Pat Hess as president of their the Planning Committee of the State Conservation Department. State Drivers' Council enough gressman R. J. Madden of In- The second plan was prepared by the Board of Engineers for to elect him to that office six

al policy and program for assuring full employment throughout the United States, through concerted efforts of industry, agriculture, la-Co-ordination of operations of bor, state and local governments baugh, director of fish and game at Vincennes. This is perhaps the

Co-ordination of operations of the Standard Freight Lines. Inc. of Chicago and the Stote Express lines of indianapolis is expected to save 35,000 truck miles annually, 4,000 man hours and \$18,000 in terminal expense. The plan wentinto effect May 21, it was anounced in Chicago.

Under another plan, Michigan Motor lines will suspend hauling less than truckload shipments both ways between Chicago and Muncie and Anderson, eliminating 27 rounding of each year, to washington for a menor same at vincennes. This is perhaps the baugh, director of fish and game at Vincennes. This is perhaps the baugh director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk, director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk, director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk director of fish and game and Charles A. Defrurk direct

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Seventh War Loan

The Seventh War Loan Drive started May 14 and will end Well,-better pay, better hours, vacations, security-June 30. The over-all corporate and individual quota is \$14,000,- These are all important-very important. 600,000. The labor movement of Indiana is again being called But even more, is the thrill of knowing upon to do their part in financing the war. The American Federation of Labor groups have always done their part and will do so again, but we should begin now to buy bonds so that by That my hand is clasped in that of a brother worker, June 30 each of us will have purchased more bonds than in any | That my interests and his are One, previous Bond Drive.

The State Federation would like to suggest that each Cen- A destiny that we ourselves can shape, tral Body and Local Union give a few minutes during every meeting held before July 1, 1945, to discuss the Seventh War Loan Drive and explain why every member should buy more Why do I need a Union? honds. Have your Steward on the job, and in the factories take Because I hate poverty and disease, an active part by keeping before his fellow workers the necessity of increasing their purchase of bonds. Each bond a worker buys adds to his savings and gives him a greater financial secur
Because only united, strong and determined, an active part by keeping before his fellow workers the necessity of increasing their purchase of bonds. Each bond a worker ity; builds up his economic strength and at the same time, helps | Can we combat reactionary forces at home, fluance the war so that we can have an early Victory and Peace And Fascism, and enslavers of mankind, abroad. to follow:

Don't listen to rumors that the Seventh Bond Drive is not Why do I need a Union? necessary and that the fighting will soon be over. We hope the Because I love liberty and tolerance, fighting will be over in the very near future, but our country And believe in the right of free men and women, needs our dollars now more than ever before to carry out the Of every race, creed or color. plan of winning the war and negotiating the peace.

So Let Us Do Our Part NOW! -INDIANA STATE FEDERATION OF LABOR.

Labor's Memorial Service

On May 30th we celebrate Memorial Day. But-there is a war on. We cannot stop work to join parades or even attend exercises in the cemetery. We have a job to do for our boys who still live and fight -and a pledge to keep to those who by their deaths on foreign soil have kept us safe at home.

We must go on working that is the real tribute we can and must pay to our fellow workers who have made the supreme

Mindful of this, President Green has issued a call to all State Federations, City Central Bodies and Federal Labor Unions, asking the men and women of organized labor to stay on the job, and, in their places of work to pause but for a brief period for an inter-faith and inter-racial meeting in honor of the dead, not only those of labor, but all those who fought and died for the preservation of human brotherhood.

Through the Labor League for Human Rights, it is suggested that trade unionists, cooperating with management and with veterans' organizations, hold in local plants brief memorial the three great faiths -Protestant, Catholic and Jewish. Brief addresses by a union leader, and a returned veteran should be made and a plaque unveiled or a scroll read containing the names of those who have gone out from the shop never to return.

As President Green said in his message: "Our reaffirmation and devotion to the principles for which those near and dear to us have died is of supreme importance. These principles are best summed up in the four freedoms that represent man's striving for liberty and his desire to live in harmony with his fellow men. In addition, they represent our insistence that men of all races, faiths, and colors shall have a place in the sun;

"True to the principles upon which the American Federation of Labor is founded, I officially call upon all our members to participate in exercises on an inter-faith and inter-racial basis, Through such action we will demonstrate to all classes of people that the spirits of our fallen heroes still live."

"There is one sentence of Dan Tobin's that has stuck in my memory ever since I first heard it: "The fellow to be pitied in the tax game is the one who has no tax to pay.'

"Nowhere else in the world are men as free as they are here. Nowhere else are the demands upon the people so light. Andthose domands we set ourselves."-Ruth Taylor.

"Why Do I Need a Union?"

Why do I need a Union ?

Because ABOVE AND BEYOND ALL, it has given me The SELF-RESPECT and DIGNITY of a HUMAN BEING! The value of that feeling is priceless.

No longer a "hired hand," a "commodity," a bit of "help,"

To be dealt with in accordance with the whim of the boss, But something to be reckoned with as a living, vital force That has, at last, come into its own!

Why do I need a Union?

We, the pioneers of Organized Labor, learned the answer, And it has penetrated deep into our consciousness. We, who sneaked through dark streets to union meetings, Because bosses' stooges lurked in the shadows And spied on us.

We, who held meetings, night after night Following a long, hard day's work, We who marched on picket lines, in heat and cold,

Who endangered life and limb, Who endured strikes and lockouts and intimidation, We KNEW what we were fighting for!

The Union, with all its blessings, was not handed to us On a silver platter.

We sweated, and struggled, and suffered for it. And will never surrender it.

Why do I need a Union? That my voice is added to the mighty Voice of Organized

Labor, That united we have a common destiny A World that we can make a better one.

To live in a free society, that they alone have built, With their sweat and toil, And to enjoy the fruits of their labor. To be free from want and fear and oppression and wars, To rid the world of its periodic plunge into bloodshed, To create a free, happy world, The kind of world worth living in! That is why I need a Union.

Payroll Savings Quota Poster



LAFAYETTE **NEWS BULLETINS** FROM LOCAL 543

By S. W. HELTON

Harold Ford, formerly with Hayes Freight Lines, just returned to camp, after spending a few days with his family and friends here. He has completed his training in aviation and expects an assignment to active duty.

We have received WLB decision on our dairy case which has been pending for many months. This case was partly approved and partly denied with back pay to April 1,

No WLB decision has been received on our Ice Company con-tract. We are trying to put these boys on a tonnage basis.

Joe "Bud" Cross lost his life March 6, from wounds received at Iwo Jima, according to word re-ceived by the family from the War Department. Bud was, for many years, a Teamster member of 543 and always a staunch union man. This makes the second of our members to die of wounds in this war. The other being Otto "Butch" Co-pas, of Frankfort, who was our vice president at time of leaving. Brother Copas lost his life at Guadalcanal early in the war.

Frank Grenat has been home on furlough from the Atlantic zone where he has been doing transport duty. When returning, he expects to be assigned to the Pacific theater. Frank looks fine and weighs 230 pounds.

We are making special request that any member having news from our brothers in service report same

Because he has planned to leave the jurisdiction of 543, our presi-dent, Fay Mencely, has resigned his office and has been replaced by Harold "Nig" Moser.

"Nig" drives for Hayes, is a fine boy and one of our most union-minded members. Only one person can make "Nig" take water and that is his 18-month-old son "Rowdy."

We regret to lose Fay, but know that he will always be a Teamster.

35,000 Drivers Want Pat Hess Elected to ISFL

imously endorsed the following officers of the Indiana State Federation of Labor in nomination of officers held March 15 to April 15 for the two-year period beginning January 1.

"Carl H. Mullen, Hammond, president; John Acker, Lafay. ette, secretary-treasurer; Mary L. Garner, South Bend, first vice-president; Stanley J. Elliott, Marion, third vice-president; Roy Creasey, Indianapolis, fourth vice-president; John E. O'Donnell, Hammond, fifth vice-president; John Soucie. Evansville, sixth vice - president; Hobert Autterson, Terre Haute, seventh vice-president; John E. Smith, Indianapolis, teller; C. O. Van Horn, Fort Wayne, teller; Mabel L. Lowe, Indiadapolis, teller.
"D. B. Evans of Terre Haute

and Alton P. Hess of Fort and an election will be held for this position during the month from June 1 to July 1."

UNION DRIVERS PRAISED BY FIRE FIGHTERS

Joe De Young Tells of Help to Department

High praise for union truck drivers for cooperating in the fight against forest fires in Southern Indiana is contained in a statement made to The Indiana Teamster by Joseph De Young, assistant state for-

"The union teamsters can always be counted on to help in our fight," Mr. De Young said. "They are careful when smoking and never flip their eigarettes out into the grass. They stop to stamp out incipient blazes, or help extinguish bigger ones. They notify authorities when they discover dangerous fires. If everybody who drives over the roads of the forest fire zones would do these things we would have few if any outdoor conflagrations.

"Roadside fires decreased during the 1945 spring season and we are giving due credit to those motorists who were careful with their eigarettes."

The Forester told how the truck drivers congregate daily at entrances to the Morgan-Monroe, Martin and Jackson State Parks to eat and rest.

"Yet there has never been a fire of record started at these entrances."

During the past spring and last fall there were many outdoor fires in Morgan, Monroe, Washington, Brown, Harrison, Bartholomew, Orange, Lawrence and Green Counties,

In these counties principally occurred the fires which destroyed 31,158 acres of timber erops and grassland in 1944. Total damage estimated at \$111,000; more than half of the damage was to timber land, and practically all caused by carelessness.

MADDEN SPONSORS EMPLOYMENT BILL

The jobs to be created are to be on real work, at prevailing wages. The bill frowns on all forms of made work.

The bill was referred to the Senate Banking and Currency Committee, headed by Senator Wagner. That is assurance it will receive a fair hearing and consideration. Already, the proposal has t

the subject of heated discussion. Illustrative of the feeling it has aroused was the fact that its intro- 16 Flood Projects duction touched off a Senate de-

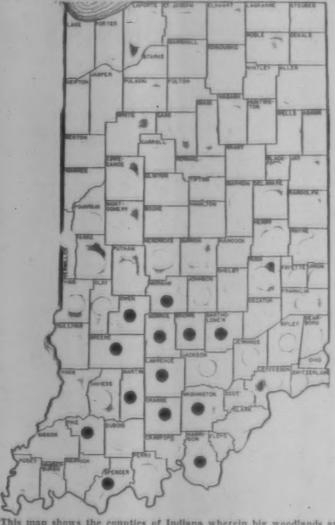
The chief criticism came from The chief criticism came from (Continued from page 1)
Senator Robert A. Taft (R., Ohio), levce unit, Island levce unit, Greenwho contended that the "philoso- field Bayou levee unit, Raccoon phy" of the bill is "completely at levee unit, Delphi local protection, variance with my idea of American White levee unit No. 1, White levee free enterprise."

State Parks Planned When War Work Ends No. 1 and Eel levee unit No.

increase of state forest areas by 20,000 acres, with a final new forest acreage of 500,000 acres in 25 years. See England Pond levee, Tri-Pond and those with \$40 to \$59 a week spent 70 per cent more, er.

in southern Indiana is recommend- Detailed information relative to ed, four new waterfowl preserves would be established and a game farm at Upland in central Indiana recommendations are placed before forms. would be provided.

Indiana's Southern Woodlands



This map shows the counties of Indiana wherein big woodlands and forest preserves are menaced by forest fires every spring and fall. It is while driving through these counties in particular that members of the new contract. the International Brotherhood of Teamsters watch their cigarettes and in other ways help the State Forestry Department prevent outdoor any spare sunshine, we sure could use it up here. blazes, according to Mr. De Young.

AF of L Members Killed In War Now Total Almost 20,000

WASHINGTON, D. C. - Al-most 20,000 members of the American Federation of Labor have already made the supreme sacrifice in the war, which means that one in every ten American fighters killed in combat has been an AF of L man. And the end is not yet, with undoubtedly thousands of additional casualties to come before final victory over Germany and

In addition to the death roll of AF of L members, as of the end of March, there were 52,000 members of the Federation wounded, 9,900 missing and 7,-000 prisoners.

"To keep faith with these men and with the 1,500,000 other AF of L members wearing Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Coast Guard uniforms, the AF of L is fighting resolutely for a durable peace after victory and for an economy in which there will be jobs for all who want work and need work," the American Federationist says, in giving the figures on AF of L war casualties.

Seen by Engineers

unit No. 2, White levee unit No. 7. McGinnis levees unit. Shufflebarger levee unit, Fletcher and Sunshine Cardens levee unit, Eel levee unit

The five other projects in Illi-The plan also calls for annual nois, which affect Indiana, are as

Indiana now has an approximate levee unit, Little Wabash levee unit spent 53 per cent more, total of 90,000 acres of state forests. No. 1 and Little Wabash levee unit Under the plan, a new quail farm No. 2.

Congress, the announcement said. AF of L get busy for Pat Hess! pany. Now and then there was an

16,500 Disputes Settled by USCS

WASHINGTON, D. C .- The U.S. labor-industrial disputes involving more than six million workers, thus preventing many strikes, Assistant
Secretary of Labor Dan W. Tracy
declared in a radio review of the Apr. 29—Don't anyone point a shot gun at Kays as you might have to department's activities during the past fiscal year.

"Bear in mind that the working time saved in this way went into production of war material for all our fighting fronts," he emphasized.

Attacking propaganda about high wartime wages, Mr. Tracy pointed out that the Wage-Hour and Publle Contracts Division in the past year found that more than 18 million dollars in back wages was due to more than a half million workers, many of whom had been paid less than the 40-cent-an-hour minimum required by the Fair Labor Standards Act.

Clothing Prices

WASHINGTON - Low - Income of Civilian Requirements, WPB.

The findings were based on a more than 40. survey of consumers' actual expenlevel in 1944 as in 1941.



Apr. 1-An ideal April Fools day.

Apr. 2—The trend of going to the country gains as Steve Yuhasz has Charlie and Ellen Richardson as well as Carl and Alice Theede looking at places out in Roseland.

Apr. 3-Jimmy Hubbard moved Ernie and Grace Makielski into their apartment, so watch out for a house warming

Apr. 4-One has to see both "Rigor" Jarvie and "Mortes" McEathron for an order these days.

Apr. 8—Geo. Irons claims his wife did not knock his teeth out.

Apr. -You can't keep Bob Nelter away from the show at the new bottle-shop on this day. Where is that check?

Apr. 7-Anyone found that bottle-hound for the bottle-shop? Apr. 8-An idle day spent at home for a change.

THIRDILA

Apr. 9-Louie Goldberg and his morning expression, "Lotsa Junk, eh.

Apr. 10-Why does Jimmy Cenkush get blamed for all the broken win-

Apr. 11-Charlie Haney says his wife lets him sleep in the house every

Apr. 12-Pearl "Cricket" Eby is on a bona fide leave of absence.

Apr. 13-My lucky day!

Apr. 14-I think Gordon Weist and Chet LaPierre should get a tin deck

and practice. I should quit playing.

Apr. 15—This is a sad day for those two guys and a broken billfold for

Apr. 16-Sure nice to see Joe Benko running the labeling machines

Apr. 17-The new bottle-shop is coming along fine between the snow

and rain squalls.

Apr. 18—Gottlieb (Coconuts) Weinman never misses on his trips to the brewery and bottle-shop.

Apr. 19-The honor roll now lists 113 members in service around the globe and three gold stars for Frank Keszai, "Tony" Wiedarek and "Bud" Anson.

Apr. 20-I wonder where they find a bed big enough for Helen Cizewski's husband who is in a hospital in England?—six feet six inches.

Apr. 21—Zeke Niblick claims he should get mileage on that job of his.

Apr. 24-I wonder when they are going to provide quarters for the

overnight guests at this plant?

Apr. 25—Good luck to Walt Merkel on his new job in Indianapolis. You can send a paper anytime, Walt.

Apr. 26-Joe Voxman sold his junker and purchased a new suit and top coat. For what purpose? He must have a farm as all he talks about is Rosebud and Apple Blossom.

Apr. 27-Joe Harringer should keep his Studie away from them semi's as they are no match.

Conciliation Service settled 16,500 Apr. 28—A lot of you guys, including myself, caught hell in a letter to Charlie Bedoe from Carl Butjas, who is in the Pacific, so if you will write I am sure an answer will bounce back.

Carl S. Butjas (Cox) L.C.I. (L) 1063

send him \$50 to get back home.

Apr. 39—The last day of a very wet month and I mean on the outside.

YOU CAN'T LOSE ON THE MIGHTY 7TH.

UNION TEAMSTER CONVOY

of the International Brotherhood of shifted without delay to movement. Two surgeons, five hospital corpsafter an epic 6.000-mile trip by sea, rail and highway from Persian Gulf ports, the Army announced. The group, which in Persia transported almost half a million tons ney was scouted by Captain P. Chinese forces.

consumers paid 96 per cent more smooth highways in America, some an ingenious way of bringing extra for standard items of clothing in with records of 500,000 miles with wheels, tires and tubes into China early 1945 than they paid in 1941. out an accident, are from almost without using cargo space. says an unpublished report of Office of Civilian Requirements, WPB.

of Civilian Requirements, WPB.

out an accident, are requirement. Several giant pieces of equipment were average age is over 30. Several are ment not regularly a part of the Countermaster unit equipment were

were computed for clothing pur- by sea from Persia to Calcutta, There was an Air Force C-2 wreckthe 13 Items. Families with \$10 to China, under their own truck pow- arrived intact is a tribute

and every third vehicle carried ex-tra fuel. A full truckload of lubri-Special note to all Teamster pany. For water supply each unit

KUNMING, China .- A fruck con- lempty truck interspersed so that in oy, largely made up of members event of breakdown cargo could be

of Lend-Lease supplies to Russia, Vandenbosch, Assistant Operations tions and supplies to the fighting practical steps were taken to insure safety. Dual wheels were attached These union truckers, most of to trailers to prevent tipping on whom had long experience on the hairpin turns. This scheme proved

Quartermaster unit equipment were On the 6,000-mile journey, the brought over as an experiment for ditures for clothing. Increased costs men and their equipment traveled the capacity of the Stilwell Road. chases of families at same income India, from there to the terminus er with 25-foot trailer, a 750-gallon. of the Stilwell Highway at Ledo tanker with 600-gallon trailer, and Families with less than \$20 a by rail, and from Ledo down the an 18-ton truck with 42-foot trailer, week spent 36 per cent more for Stilwell Highway to Kunming. The fact that all the big equipment



TEAMSTERS VOTE FOR BETTER CONDITIONS

Furniture Haulers Local 193 Ties Up Moving Industry

The furniture haulers of Indianapolis-members of Teamsters Union 193-voted on May 21 to obtain better working conditions. They could no longer tolerate working from early morning to midnight without overtime pay, working with no guaranteed workweek. Their demands included increased pay, but primarily they voted to enforce security and liberalization of their working conditions.

Their decision required a walkout of about 100 members, according to Frank Friel, union secretary-treasurer.

Strike Vote Unanimous

Vote of the union members 108 East Washington St., un63,072,000 as the armed services'
and civilian government employ-Connally War Labor Disputes ment continued to expand, accord-

day morning, May 24, and im- Conference Board. mediately tied up eight transfer companies, pending the out- of this year was about one and come of a hearing scheduled to one-half million below that of Janbe held five days later by a representative of the War Lalittle change from December in the bor Board.

Within a few hours the strike munitions industries. had spread to all other hauling companies, completely tying up

April 1.

with a representative of the as- from 1943 to 1944 was 826,000. agreement, therefore, the union than in any year since 1901. on April 3 sent a strike notice to three Federal agencies-Sec-Labor Board, specifying the 30-day clause as required. The efforts at conciliation followed. tries and service. but the companies refused to The increase of average total

Hogan Transfer and Storage tries, a classification which includes and Storage Co., Perry O. employes. Bivin Transfer Co., Shank Fire ed employn

of 15 cents a hour, two weeks' of 44 hours, time and one-half crease of 49 per cent from that of after eight hours' work in any one day, and time and one-half crease of 49 per cent from that of time he promised that facilities would be made available for essential civillan tire production as one day, and time and one-half ernment employment in December, for work on Saturday after- 1944, totaled 17.6 million, or 28

War News Is Good But Don't Lay Down on Job!

that it had urged the War Produc- down on the job."

was unanimously in favor of States last year receded more than the walkout. It was polled by a million from the peak of 53,097,a representative of the Nation- 000 in 1943, although total emal Labor Relations Board, at ployment reached a new record of ing to an examination of recent The walkout started Thurs- trends by the National Industrial

OFF ONE MILLION

Civilian employment in January number of wage earners in the

Most Industries Lose

forestry and fishing, 15,000; mineral extraction, 60,000; construc-

Employment in mining was the sociated employers through lowest in this century, and there March failed to develop an were fewer workers in agriculture

Transportation Booms

Transportation engaged 2,934,000 retary of Labor, National La- workers, the largest number on bor Relations Board and War record, and there were slight in-

accede to a single union de employment by more than a mil-Companies involved are the largely by a jump of 2,077,000 in the figure for the service indus-Corp., J. H. Taylor Transfer the armed forces and government

Rhoades Co., Rosner Transfer and Storage Co., T. E. Mockford Transfer and Storage Co., Transfer Government civilian employment proof Warehouse Co., and the governments, but excludes federend of the war, John L. Collyer, Shellhouse Fireproof Ware al employes outside continental special director of WPB rubber was 5.9 million persons.

Peak government civilian emvacation after five years' ser-ployment of 6.1 million was duction of new tires will continue are cancelled, too, for an indivice, a guaranteed work week reached in December, 1944, an in-

SGT. VIRGIL FARR



Teamsters Local 233, is proud of his brother-in-law, Sgt. Virgil H. Farr, who has been stationed with the 14th Air Force in China the last 17 months. Sgt. Farr was a member of Teamsters Local 135 and was a dispatcher for Linde Air Products Co. until entering the service two and a half years ago. His mail address is: S/Sgt. Virgit H. Farr, 35143648 1712th Sig. Serv. Bu (Aviation) APO 627, Care Postmaster, New York, N. Y.

job groups except transportation, rationing officer, has announced where there was an increase of that the increased quota of tires

Motorists in the "B" and "C" ration groups are divided into four A series of conferences held from 1943 to 1944 was \$25000.

> architects or engineers performing essential construction work and

> The other two classifications include workers who are less essen-

TIRE CONSERVATION

WASHINGTON .- Pointing out that tire conservation continues of benefits, hour during the hot summer months. Collyer warned that prorapidly as war needs permit.

"It is a definite fact that there will be no reduction in the over-all here should be no relaxation in tary demand for waste paper; WASHINGTON-With the Ger- tion Board not only to permit no the road," Collyer said in his letter necessity of packaging a stagger existing tires."

Shaw, New Job Security Head, Plans Aid for Unemployed

ployment Security Division, un-der Noble R. Shaw, director, is The law also provides that ar and change in war contracts.

have earned, in covered employment, at least \$250 during the first four of the last five POLICE CHIEFS WANT completed calendar quarters immediately preceding the quarter in which his initial claim is filed. This is called a factor in most traffic accidents, a the "base period" and \$150 of booklet issued by the International the total \$250 required must Association of Chiefs of Police, in have been earned in the last connection with the current nationtwo quarters of this period.

\$20 Weekly Benefits

but after that date the maxi- were workers. Records also show the moving industry in Indifor 1944 in all major industrial Office of Price Administration tire week. The maximum wage on the war effort.

The brake check is also relied credits allowable in any one upon to reduce the steadily dwin-The strike vote was taken almost half a million. Manufactor Indiana motorists probably will be sufficient to fill less than half failed to clear up the dispute, involving a new contract as of declines were: agriculture, 234,000; file May 1.

The strike vote was taken almost half a million. Manufactor Indiana motorists probably will be sufficient to fill less than half the tire applications which were on the dispute. The urgency for effective educational and enforcement efforts in

during each week for which he signs a waiting period registration or a benefit voucher. A "waiting period week" is the full support of organizations week prior to the first week of them are the average Association.

minded workers, "the law can- Safety Council, the American Au-Shellhouse Fireproof WareUnited States, employes of private firms engaged in federal governAccording to Frank Friel,

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Dostmasters. The average for 1944 victory speed limit of 35 miles an analysis of the special director of WPB rubber to the law can be a programs, has requested governors of the 48 states to urge all civilians to "rededicate" themselves to the marry or because of marital, the National Committee for Postparental, filial or other domes- war Traffic Safety, composed of 49 tic obligations. Benefit rights national groups.

VE DID NOT LESSEN WASTE PAPER NEED

WASHINGTON, D. C .- Victory production of tires, and certainly in Europe will not lessen the milithe conservation of tires now on fact it will increase it, due to the mans out and Japs falling back on all fronts, the Army has issued an trols, but to exert even more vigor-duction during the coming months livery of weapons needed by our to deliver the knockout blow to Japan.

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The War Department appropriate in war production controls to the governors. "Drivers have done a great job in making their tires give millions of extra miles. I appeal to you as governor and the long sea journey and the long sea journey and the increased hazards of climate, the War Department appropriate in the driver to Tokyo.

The War Department appropriate in war production controls to the governors. "Drivers have ing amount of supplies required in the Pacific in double and triple waterproof wrapping to withstand through you as governor and the long sea journey and the long sea journe The War Department announced ment's statement is, "Don't lay they can do to extend the life of vision said in a bulletin to its field

In anticipation of possible vidual discharged for dishonmass lay-offs now that V-E day esty in connection with his is past history, the Indiana Em- work in cases where he admits

The law also provides that an setting up plans and methods individual may be disqualified designed to aid employes tem- from entering a waiting period porarily jobless when employ or receiving benefits for six ers are forced to retrench due weeks and be liable for a deto a switchover to new prod-duction of six times his weekly ucts, retooling, or cancellation benefit amount from the total benefit amount if he leaves Mr. Shaw explained that the work voluntarily without good Indiana Employment Security cause, is discharged for mis-Law provides that an individ-ual, to be eligible for benefits, work or fails to apply for or must have a certain amount of accept suitable work. "These earnings in insured employ- clauses of the law," said Mr. ment and, at the time of ap- Shaw, "do not affect any work-plication, be totally or partially ers except those who commit unemployed. The claimant must acts against the public inter-

ALL BRAKES CHECKED

WASHINGTON .- Bad brakes are wide campaign to check brakes. says. The campaign has additional interest for workers by reason of the fact that in 1943 more than Until July 1 the maximum half of the 824,000 persons killed weekly benefit amount is \$18, and injured in traffic accidents

this figure will be increased to the matter of safe brakes is high-\$500. Mr. Shaw said that an indi- traffic factors, the booklet points vidual who remains eligible re- out. Chief among these are that sentiality.

Classification No. 1, the first group which will be served, includes such workers as physicians, police-works are that the average age of motor vehicles in the united States is almost the average age of motor vehicles in the United States is almost the average age of motor vehicles in the United States is almost due to the property of the property such workers as physicians, policemen and firemen. Classification No. 2 includes Red Cross workers, authorized government agents or agents of management or labor designated by the War Manpower Commission to recruit essential workers, construction workers, architects or engineers performing and that vehicles lost through traffic accidents or carelessness cannot be replaced. In addition, serious reductions in the number of police officers, safety workers, and other workers, construction workers, architects or engineers performing the period (52) age at the outbreak of the war, and that vehicles lost through traffic accidents or carelessness cannot be replaced. In addition, serious reductions in the number of police officers, safety workers, and other workers, architects or engineers performing the period (52) and that vehicles lost through traffic accidents or carelessness cannot be replaced. In addition, serious reductions in the number of police officers, safety workers, and other workers, architects or engineers performed to the war. Again, highways new his work registeration at the outbreak of the war. new his work registration at have deterlorated from lack of mathe same time. According to Mr. Shaw a claimant must also report all earnings he received during a continuous and the continuous according to the same time. According to the continuous and the continuous according to the conti

> week prior to the first week of a benefit period, and during that time the individual must be unemployed and eligible for the description of the mare the American Association of Motor Vehicle Administrators, the Highway Traffic Advisory Committee to the "However," Mr. Shaw re- fense Transportation, the National

